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The most interesting point touched upon in the interview between Mr. DENNY and the representative of the *North China Daily News* is that of the alleged Russian intrigues

In a memorial to the Throne on the Yellow River works Wu TA-CHENG commences by saying that doctors in prescribing for a disease are always careful in the first place to ascertain its cause, and sick people in taking medicine ought to see that the prescription fits the particular nature of their complaint. Perhaps Wu considers himself a competent river doctor, if we may use the term, but no crabs.

The order received from the Secretary of State in the first instance was, we believe, for the entire suspension of the Ordinances, but as this step would have done away with the control exercised over brothels in the interests of the inmates, the local Government, while suspending compulsory examination, was compelled to maintain the system of registration. If this were abolished, and public prostitution left as free from control as it unfortunately is in England, the odious

Quintanilla; Quintanilla has been prompt to retaliate, and even in New South Wales, where the free-trade policy, there is a not inconsiderable party of protectionists. The effect of the policy which has hitherto been followed, though there is no apparent prospect of their being able to carry their views into effect. New South Wales, however, stands alone in her free-trade-policy, and the commercial borders that custom has placed between the colonies from one another by protection duties does not look encouraging for colonial federation, to say nothing of interprovincial federation. But the advocates of protection, who are the strongest advocates for federation, now suggest that hostile tariffs will add in time to one uniform tariff and so tend to promote federation. We cannot profess to understand the argument very well, but it seems to me that the advocates of protection are making the argument that the tariff of European armaments will end

**THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL—The Select Committee** report this Bill with the following amendments, adopting the suggestions of the Law Revision Commission:—In clause 33 substitute the words "at such trial" for the words "in such prosecution"; and in clause 34, after the addition of the words "the prisoner or the accused or his legal representative," insert the words "or the compensation to families bill."

**THE COMPENSATION TO FAMILIES BILL.**

**THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL—The Select Committee** report the Bill without amendment. The Council then went into Committee on three foregoing Bills, the **ATTORNEY-GENERAL** having moved the suspension of the reading orders so that the numbers of the second day only and not each section of the Bill should be read.

THE **ATTORNEY-GENERAL** moved that the Select Com-

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—Section four provides that the powers given to two Magistrates acting together in the exercise of the powers conferred under the existing law, cases arising under the Ordinance for protection of women and children, it requires two Magistrates acting together to adjudicate. I think there were very substantial reasons for the amendment. It is great difficulty in administering the law in the past, and I think it is a good thing that it is administered. Section 5 is amended by substituting for the words "any term exceeding three months," the words "any term exceeding six months." Section 6 provides where hawkers are taken up for committing the offence and offences against hawkers' Ordinances, the property of the hawkers shall be brought up by the Magistrate and shall be sold.

O. N. Denny, Adviser to the King of Siam, and Director of Foreign Affairs, has been employed by a representative of the N. C. News. After a mild and good natured chat against the categorical interview, as an intimation, of which, the Reporter reminded Mr. Denny's countrymen were the respectable patentees, Mr. Denny said he had no time to speak, on Korean affairs, which he added to be without much interest.

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